



Members of the Heber Valley Fire Department in 1958 included the following: From left to right: Arvel M. McAfee, Frank Hardy, Arch Buys, Douglas Smith, Mont Giles, Ray Wright, William Turnbow, Harvey Bronson, Don Smith, Verl Wright, Earl Smith, Hylton Burch, Neff Thomas, Neil Montgomery, Rolland Carlile, Lynn McKnight, Forest Dayton, Richard Jones, Owen Buell and Glen Jensen.

William Horner, Abram Hatch Jr., William Murri, Rudolph McKnight, Francis Moulton, Earl Smith, Virgil Fraughton, A. D. Buys, Earl Clyde, Joseph Hylton and Mont Giles, all on a volunteer basis. Others who joined soon after the organization was formed were Lee Holdaway, Forrest Dayton, Owen Buell, Joseph Olpin, Ralph Giles, Lorenzo Wootton, Walter O'Toole and Carl Duke. Mr. Hardy was appointed chief with Mr. Horner assistant chief, Mr. Hatch, captain and Mr. Murri secretary.

Four hydrants were installed on main street and 1,000 feet of fire hose was purchased on two two-wheeled trailers. One trailer was kept at the Pikes Peak Garage and the other at Moulton Garage.

By 1926 the department had grown to 16 members and the group had joined the Utah State Firemen's Association.

The second fire truck, a 500 gallon Maack pumper was purchased in 1935 as a cooperative venture between Heber City, Midway, Charleston and the county commission. The department's name was changed to the Heber Valley Volunteer Fire Department, and began responding to fires anywhere in the valley.

Mr. Hardy served as chief for 13 years and was succeeded by Lee Holdaway in 1937. Earl H. Smith succeeded Mr. Holdaway, and then in 1946 Mr. Hardy again became chief and served until 1959 when Neff Thomas was appointed. Assistant chiefs have included William Horner, Forrest Dayton, A. D. Buys, Mont Giles and Arvil McAfee.

Joseph Hylton

Harold Stevens, formerly a city councilman, was elected to serve as mayor beginning in 1938 and completed two terms, serving through 1941. City councilmen during the first term included Athel B. Fitzgerald, Owen F. Buell, Nephi Moulton, Andrew A. Lindsay and Douglas Giles. Officers of the city during Mayor Stevens' second term of 1940-41, were Nephi Moulton, Owen F. Buell, Charles C. Bronson and Douglas Giles, councilmen and Isabell A. Lewis, treasurer.

Mayor Stevens directed the installation of sewer lines in the north part of Heber, purchased an attractive two-acre addition to the cemetery, installed water lines at the cemetery, built a grandstand at the city park, constructed a baseball diamond, worked on main street improvements, and also purchased the balance of Broadhead Spring for culinary purposes.

In November, 1941, Ralph Giles won the mayoralty election, and by the time he took office in 1942 the nation had been plunged into World War II. Materials became very scarce and manpower left at home was even more scarce.

Councilmen elected to serve during Mayor Giles' first term were Fred G. Carlile, Allen Curry, John A. Fortie, Walter Harrison and Joseph Hylton. Those serving during the second term of 1944-45 were Walter Harrison, Joseph Hylton and Allen Curry. Glen S. Hatch was city attorney and Venice H. Watson was treasurer.

Faced with wartime shortages, Mayor Giles and the council were able to do only limited public works projects. Most of Heber's roads were gravel coated, and the water system at the cemetery was enlarged. In addition, the city's culinary water system was improved and pressure boosting pumps were added. Also, a new water main was trenched and installed from Broadhead Spring to the Mill Street storage tank at a cost of \$20,000.

Because only a few work projects could be carried out, Mayor Giles created a savings fund for the city. From power plant revenues the city purchased a \$500 government savings bond each month for many months. From other city revenues Mayor Giles purchased 50 \$1,000 government bonds. At the end of his second term Mayor Giles was able to turn over to his successor savings of more than \$100,000 to be used on needed city projects when materials and labor became available.

Joseph Hylton became mayor in 1946, and had as city officers Allen Curry, Fred G. Carlile, Joseph Olpin, Harold H. Smith and Walter Harrison, councilmen; Venice H. Watson, treasurer; Everett Murdock and E. Warren Jones, city marshals.

During his administration, Mayor Hylton began plans for a new power plant in Snake Creek Canyon. Equipment for the plant was ordered and the construction work started while he was mayor. Plans were also approved for the city airport and the joint City-County Memorial Building. Zoning ordinances for the city were also effected by Mayor Hylton.

the chapter for women of the valley who had business or professional careers.

Vilate McMillan was first president of the group, with Lula Clegg, vice president, Ruby Duke, corresponding secretary, Maranda Smith, recording secretary, LaVon Bond, treasurer and Edith Wootton, assistant treasurer. Charter members also included Nellie Ohlweiler, Agnes Parkinson, Mae Greenwood, Gladys Holt, Bessie Reeves, Edna Murdock, Lerelia Daisy Cummings, Garnet Jones, Dorothy Salisburg, Emma H. Wherritt, Mrs. McMillan, Crissie Jones, Annie Fisher, Hazel Clyde, Florence Hicken, E. P. Cliff, Belva Fortie, Sarah Orme, Heloise Hatch, Melba Laura F. Murdock, Manila Carlile, Sarah Curry, Thelma Ritchie, Janie Murdock, Mildred Ivins, Nora Read, Josie Daybell, Sylvia Wootton, Veronica Heinlein, Orah Giles, Sara Simpson, Edna McMullin, Comfort Bachman, Birdie Bates, Lethe Coleman, Dora Fuller and Martha D. Shute, an honorary member.

Numerous activities have been carried on by the group, including fund raising events to help girls of the community gain business education, conducting annual graduation teas at Wasatch High School as well as school oratory and music contests. The chapter established Wasatch County's Memorial Hill and has conducted memorial service programs at the site. They have also staged barbeques at the annual Wasatch County Stock Shows. The pits always being fired and meat barbecued by the Heber Valley Firemen, serving as many as 2,000 persons at one of the shows. Gifts have been presented to Wasatch County Library, and the group provided many services during World War II to servicemen or their families. Members of the club who have held offices in the state organization have included Lula Clegg, Edna Montgomery, Ruby Duke and Miranda Smith.

One of the community's most active service groups is the Heber Lions Club which received its charter from Lions International on December 10, 1928. The charter members included Ralph E. Strub, the first president, John M. Turner, William L. Anderson, John A. Anderson, Walter H. Seiter, Dr. H. R. Read, Earl M. Hardy, Earl H. Smith, Earl Tilson, Jesse L. Hiatt, Jack A. Jensen, A. W. Cheney, Joseph A. Rasband, Emer W. Murdock, Owen F. Buell, Laban Hylton, Dr. B. A. Danenberg, Wilson Dean, G. W. Baker and George B. Stanley. Owen F. Buell was the first secretary and retained the position for 10 years.

Presidents of the club after Mr. Strub have been, in order of their service, Jesse L. Hiatt, Earl M. Hardy, John A. Anderson, Ralph F. Nilsson, Storm McDonald, John M. Turner, Joseph Hylton, Lowe Ashton Sr., Riley C. Draper, Clyde Broadbent, Dr. Karl O. Nielson, Heber M. Rasband, Ralph Stringham, L. C. Montgomery, Lloyd J. Wertencamp, Harold H. Smith, Andrew J. Mohr, Wesley Walton, Andrew McConkie, Edson Packer, George Strebel, Raymond Jiacolletti, Lloyd Lawton, L. A.